

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An information processing system comprising:  
a first storage module storing step information  
containing parameters;

5           a second storage module storing values of the  
parameters; and

              a module executing steps specified by the step  
information in a way that replaces a parameter of the step  
information with a value of the parameter.

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2. An information processing system according to  
claim 1, wherein the step information represents steps  
configuring a predetermined target system by combining  
a plurality of subsystems, and

15           the parameter is characteristic information that  
individually adapts said subsystem to the target system.

20           3. An information processing system according to  
claim 1, wherein the step information is encrypted, and  
said system further comprises a module decrypting  
the step information encrypted.

4. An information processing system according to  
claim 2, further comprising:

25           a module accepting a value setting with respect to  
the parameter; and

              a module judging whether the value with the setting

accepted can be applied to said target system or subsystem.

5. An information processing method comprising:  
referring to step information containing  
5 parameters;  
referring to values of the parameters; and  
executing steps specified by the step information  
in a way that replaces a parameter of the step information  
with a value of the parameter.

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6. An information processing method according to  
claim 5, wherein the step information represents steps  
configuring a predetermined target system by combining  
a plurality of subsystems, and

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the parameter is characteristic information that  
individually adapts said subsystem to the target system.

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7. An information processing method according to  
claim 5, wherein the step information is encrypted, and  
said method further comprises decrypting the step  
information encrypted.

8. An information processing method according to  
claim 6, further comprising:

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accepting a value setting with respect to the  
parameter; and  
judging whether the value with the setting accepted

can be applied to said target system or subsystem.

9. A storage medium readable by a machine, tangible embodying a program of instructions executable by the  
5 machine to perform method steps comprising:

referring to step information containing parameters;

referring to values of the parameters; and

executing steps specified by the step information  
10 in a way that replaces a parameter of the step information with a value of the parameter.

10. A storage medium readable by a machine tangible embodying a program according to claim 9, wherein the step  
15 information represents steps configuring a predetermined target system by combining a plurality of subsystems, and the parameter is characteristic information that individually adapts said subsystem to the target system.

20 11. A storage medium readable by a machine tangible embodying a program according to claim 9, wherein the step information is encrypted, and

said program further comprises decrypting the step information encrypted.

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12. A storage medium readable by a machine tangible embodying a program according to claim 10, further

comprising:

accepting a value setting with respect to the parameter; and

judging whether the value with the setting accepted  
5 can be applied to said target system or subsystem.

13. A program of instructions executable by a machine to perform method steps comprising:

referring to step information containing  
10 parameters;

referring to values of the parameters; and  
executing steps specified by the step information in a way that replaces a parameter of the step information with a value of the parameter.

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14. A program according to claim 13, wherein the step information represents steps configuring a predetermined target system by combining a plurality of subsystems, and

20 the parameter is characteristic information that individually adapts said subsystem to the target system.

15. A program according to claim 13, wherein the step information is encrypted, and

25 said program further comprises decrypting the step information encrypted.

16. A program according to claim 14, further comprising:

accepting a value setting with respect to the parameter; and

5 judging whether the value with the setting accepted can be applied to said target system or subsystem.